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SUBJECT: AMON CARTER WASTERN ART EXHIBIT

1. DURING MEETING WITH EXHIBITS DIRECTOR OF COUNCIL OF SOCIALIST CULTURE AND EDUCATION JANUARY 8, EMBOFF DISCUSSED MATTER OF RECIPROCAL PER DIEM FOR CURATOR TYLER BASED ON \$1,050.00 PAID BY U.S. SIDE TO DAN GRIGORESCU (CF. FERNANDEZ-BARKER MEMO JUNE 14, 1973). COUNCIL AGREED IN PRINCIPLE THAT TOTAL PER DIEM FOR TYLER SHOULD EQUAL U.S. PAYMENTS BUT SAID SOME SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE NEEDED SINCE DAILY PAYMENT WOULD EXCEED USUAL ROMANIAN PAYMENT FOR FOREIGN SPECIALISTS OF 130 LEI. (IN TELCON FOLLOWING MEETING, COUNCIL SUGGESTED EMBASSY NOMINATE TYLER UNDER SECTION III (2) FOR PERIOD OF EXHIBIT. EMBASSY HAS TENTATIVELY AGREED TO DISCUSS THIS PROCEDURE WHILE INSURING THAT THE APPROXIMATELY 75-DAY PERIOD OF TYLER VISIT ACCEPTABLE TO ROMANIANS UNDER THIS SECTION AND THAT TOTAL PAYMENT EQUAL TO U.S. PAYMENT. NOMINATION PROCEDURE ESSENTIALLY ADMINISTRATIVE DEVICE TO ALLOW ROMANIANS PAY RECIPROCAL CURATOR COSTS.)

2. IN ADDITION, EMBASSY MENTIONED THAT COUNCIL WOULD NEED TO PROVIDE, ON BASIS OF RECIPROCITY, INTERNAL AIR TRANSPORTATION FOR TYLER TO VISIT EXHIBIT SITES IN IASI AND TIMISOARA AS NECESSARY.R

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3. EMBOFF INTENDS TO VISIT IASI DURING PERIOD JANUARY 9-10 TO TOUCH FINAL BASES AT PALACE OF CULTURE THERE IN PREPARATION FOR MARCH 29-APRIL 12 SHOWING.

4. POST WOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST DETAILS ON WESTERN FILM PACKAGE INCLUDING TITLES, ETA HERE, AND PERIOD FOR WHICH WE MAY RETAIN.

5. FOR WARSAW - POST ASSUMES THAT FOLLOWING ARRIVAL OF EXHIBITION IN KRAKOW, TYLER WILL BE IN CONTACT REGARDING LOGISTICS AND OTHER DETAILS REGARDING MOVEMENT OF PAINTINGS TO BUCHAREST. OUR PRESENT ASSUMPTION IS THAT EXHIBITION WILL MOVE BY TRUCK FROM KRAKOW DIRECT TO BUCHAREST WITH TYLER ACCOMPANYING. COUNCIL INTENDS MEET EXHIBITION AT BORDER CROSSING WITH ESCORT OFFICER AND INTERPRETER TO FACILITATE FORMALITIES. HOPEFULLY, EXHIBITION WILL BE ON-LOADED IN KRAKOW AND OFF-LOADED IN BUCHAREST WITH NO NEED FOR CHANGE OF VEHICLES AT BORDER.

6. NEW SUBJECT: COUNCIL INQUIRED RE ARRANGEMENTS SHIP ROMANIAN FINE ARTS EXHIBIT TO QUEBEC FOLLOWING OSHKOSH SHOW REQUESTING "MOST INEXPENSIVE MEANS". APPRECIATE AGENCY CONTACT MITRAN AND SUGGEST HE CLARIFY PRESENT STATUS OF ROMANIAN SHOW WITH BUCHAREST.
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